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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,300,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman:—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.
" 6 " " 4% " "
" 12 " " 5% " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2800,000.
RESERVE FUND, 150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits.
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 5th day of May, 1879, at 11 A.M., At HER MAJESTY'S STORES, Queen's Road East,—

The following UNSERVICEABLE GOVERNMENT STORES:—Old Boats, Blankets, Brass, Canvas, Copper, Cordage, Rugs, Cast and Wrought Iron, Leather, Cotton, Linen and Woollen Articles, Waterproof Sheets, Steel, Timber, Tin, Zinc, Casks, Packing Cases, Canteens, and various Miscellaneous Articles.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All faults and errors of description, to be at purchasers' risk, on the fall of the hammer.

J. MOORE, A.C.G.,

Com. Gen. of Ordnance, China.

Ordnance Office, Hongkong, April 25, 1879. my5

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H.M. NAVAL STORE-KEEPER to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 6th May, 1879, at Noon, at H.M. NAVAL YARD,—

SUNDRY Condemned NAVAL AND VICTUALLING STORES, comprising:—Old Iron, Boats and Hooses, Flannel, Serge and Drill, Sundry Provisions, Tobacco, Clothing, Implements, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 28, 1879. my6

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY. Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE

PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILL, VATE, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.
Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

AN EIGHTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TALS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 3rd April, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th April. Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 9th April, inclusive.

By Order, RUSSELL & Co.,

Liquidators.

Shanghai, April 1, 1879. my7

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Directors have declared an EXTRA DIVIDEND of FIVE PER CENT. on Shareholders Capital, payable at the Office of the Secretaries, on the 25th Instant, to SHAREHOLDERS of Record on the 21st Instant.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co.,

Secretaries, Shanghai, 18th April, 1879. my23

Intimations.

ROSE & Co., 31 & 33, QUEEN'S ROAD,

BEG to inform their numerous Patrons that they have received, Ex French and English Mails and other late Arrivals, their NEW GOODS for the Season.

CONSISTING OF:—

The New "ETONA" CLOTHS, YOSEMITES, MUSLINS, GALATEAS, &c., &c., for Ladies' Dresses.
Also, LADIES' and CHILDREN'S STRAW HATS, in all the Newest Shapes.
Boys' SAILOR HATS, in the New Styles.
LADIES' BOOTS AND SHOES, PEBBLES GLOSS.

A Good Selection of English and French FLOWERS and FEATHERS.
2-Button and 6-Button KID GLOVES, in tins of 8 and 6 pairs.
COSTUMES and PARIS MILLINERY, SUNSHADES.
COLLARS and SLEEVES, in the Newest Designs.
VALENTIENNES, BRUSSELS, TORCHON, and other LACES.
FICHUS, LACE SETS.
MUSLIN and LESSE FRILLINGS, in great variety.
RIBBONS in all the New Shades, REVERSIBLES, &c.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S HOSIERY, CORSETS, SKIRTS, UNDER-CLOTHING &c., &c.

GENTLEMEN'S WHITE SHIRTS, with and without Collars attached.
GENTLEMEN'S India GAUZE VESTS, in great variety.
GENTLEMEN'S Christy's STRAW and FELT HATS: Black and Coloured.
SILK SOCKS, TIE COLLARS, STUFS, BE ES, PERFUMERY, &c., &c., &c.

LINENS, SHEETINGS, CALICOES, DIAPERS, HOLLANDS, CRETONNES, TABLE CLOTHS, MUSLIN and LACE CURTAINS, CURTAIN LOOPS, LACE CURTAINS by the Yard, 2 yards Wide.

MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

All Coast Orders Punctually Attended to.

ROSE & Co., 31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, April 25, 1879. my9

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the Articles of the Association of the Company, and of the Companies Ordinance 1865, an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, situate at No. 7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, at 8 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 6th day of May next, for the purpose of passing a special Resolution making certain alterations in the Articles of Association of the Company to the following effect, viz:—

1. That the General Managers, with the sanction of the Consulting Committee, in any years that the accounts of the Company shall render it desirable, may pay losses wholly or in part out of the excess of the Reserve Fund over and above \$250,000, in order that contributing and other Shareholders may not unnecessarily be deprived of Bonus and Dividend; such changes to take effect from the 1st January, 1878.

2. That the annual bonus payable to contributing Shareholders and the annual contribution to the reserve fund be left to the discretion of the General Managers and Consulting Committee, and that the sum to be annually appropriated to dividend be subject to the approval of the Company in Meeting.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Second Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held, at the same hour and place, on TUESDAY, the 20th day of May next, for the purpose of confirming such special Resolution as aforesaid.

Dated the 12th day of April, 1879.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

JEWELLERS,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

46, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, April 21, 1879. my20

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision, and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,

Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my20

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR EASTLAKE will receive his PATENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.
Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

For sale.

FOR SALE.

EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

TRADE MARK

SUPERIOR TO ALL SIMILAR PREPARATIONS.

VOGEL & Co.,

Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my19

FOR SALE.

THE British Iron Barque "BEN-CLUTHA," 997 Tons Register, as she now lies at anchor in CHEFOO Harbour.

For Particulars, &c., apply to Messrs H. NIZAS & Co., Chefoo. Hongkong, April 28, 1879. my28

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each. CHINA MAIL Office.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D., Tübingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai, and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai. Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet. THE AMENDED HONG LIST, in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR FOOCHEW.

The Steamship "MONARCH" will load here for above Port, and will have immediate despatch. The Steamer has splendid PASSENGER accommodation.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my5

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

The Steamship "NAMO," Capt. WESTOBY, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFFRAK & Co.

Hongkong, May 2, 1879. my6

FOR FOOCHEW (DIRECT.)

The Steamship "TEVOT," W. C. NISSET, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 7th Proximo, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my7

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship "GOR-ON CASTLE," Captain WAHNE, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 7th Instant, at 8 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 2, 1879. my7

FOR YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship "GLENORCHY," Captain HONG, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 7th Instant, at 8 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1879. my7

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR AMOY.

The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Capt. CULLEN, shortly due, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 2, 1879.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship "BEECONSHIRE," expected here on or about the 4th Proximo, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Spanish Schooner "MANUEL," EGUILION, Master, "CAZADOR," ORBETA, Master, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, April 28, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Bark "EDWARD MAY," Capt. JOHNSON, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 British Ship "OLURUM," BRADLE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or before the 5th of May.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 25, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 British Ship "ONEIDA," Captain CRYMA, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, April 17, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Ship "HAZE," EVANS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Ship "EDITH," MANSON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, March 28, 1879.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 American Ship "PRIMA DONNA," LUNT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, March 28, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Ship "GOLDEN RULE," LEWIS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, February 26, 1879.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Bark "STRACATHRO," MILLAR, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, February 18, 1879.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off Clothing, Boots, &c. PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point. Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

To Let.

TO LET—AT WANCHAI.

FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS.

For further Particulars, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, April 24, 1879. my9

TO LET.

OFFICES, GODOWNS, and
GOODS STORED.
Apply to
PUSTAU & Co.,
Praya, Pottinger Street.
Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my80

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FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS.

Goods of every description Landed and
Stored.
For terms, apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, April 4, 1879. j74

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HOUSE No. 9, ZETLAND STREET.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, April 23, 1879.

"ROSE VILLAS,"

BONHAM ROAD,
WITH Large TENNIS LAWN.
Apply to
SHARP & DANBY,
No. 8, Queen's Road Central,
late Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, April 23, 1879.

TO LET.

(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.)
NOS. 10 & 12, LINDHURST TERRACE,
at present occupied by Messrs NUR-
SEY KESWEE & Co.
Apply to
LINSTEAD & Co.
Hongkong, April 24, 1879.

TO LET.

OFFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS,
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.
Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

TO LET.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable
for OFFICES and DWELLING, also
for a STORE, Queen's Road Central.
Possession 1st March next.
Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 63,
formerly known as the Blue Houses,
situate on Praya East—
FIRST FLOORS of Nos. 2, 3 and 4,
Praya East, with immediate possession.

As also,

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,
attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai,
MARINE LOT 65, and BASEMENT No. 3.

Also,

A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close
to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on
Storage or the Yard Rented.
For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1879.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GO-
DOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60,
Praya Central.

Apply to

WO HANG,
Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West,
Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

Mails.



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON;
VIA BOMBAY.
ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship
NIZAM, Captain A. E. BARKOW, will
leave this on TUESDAY, the 6th May, at
Noon.
Tea and General Cargo for London will
be conveyed via Bombay without tranship-
ment, arriving one week later than by the
direct route. Silk and Valuables will be
transferred to the Calcutta steamer at
Galle.
For further Particulars, apply to
A. MOLLER, Superintendent,
Hongkong, April 23, 1879. my6

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
AND
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. OCEANIC will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on TUESDAY, May 6th, 1879, at 3
p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central
and South America, and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 5th May. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.
A Reduction is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.
Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, April 20, 1879. my6

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND THROUGH
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail S. S. CITY OF TOKIO
will be despatched for San Francisco,
via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 20th
May, at Noon, taking Passengers, and
Freight, for Japan, the United States,
and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.
On THROUGH PASSAGES TO EUROPE,
A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to
OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY,
and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and
CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISS-
ION.

Freight will be received on board until
11 a.m. of 19th May. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co, Agents.
Hongkong, April 23, 1879 my30

Insurance.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

SWISS LLOYD
TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY
OF WINTERTHUR.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, have
this Day taken over charge of the Hong-
kong Agency, and are prepared to grant
INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at Current
Rates to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, February 19, 1879.

Insurance.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
£50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Siam and Penang.

Kinks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong for the above-
named Company, are prepared to Grant
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and
on Goods to the extent of £50,000, at the
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-
count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in
China.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1806.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit,
are distributed annually to Contributors
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premium contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,
Secretary.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
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Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

New York, 1st March, 1879.
MY Business in China will in future
be under the Name of JNO. L.
ANDERSON & Co.

My Brother, Mr C. E. ANDERSON,
will, in my absence from China, Sign the
Firm's Name by Procuration.

JNO. L. ANDERSON.
Hongkong, April 23, 1879. my5

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr WILLIAM SALWAY in our
Firm CEASED on the 1st Instant. Mr W.
WILSON will Sign the Firm in Liquida-
tion.

WILSON & SALWAY,
Architects, &c.

WITH Reference to the above, I have
admitted Mr SOTHEBY GOD-
FREY BIRD as a Partner; the Business
will henceforward be continued under the
Name of 'WILSON & BIRD.'

W. WILSON.
Hongkong, April 7, 1879. my7

NOTICE.

THE Business of the Undersigned will
in future be conducted under the
Firm of SHARP & DANBY.

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No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
late occupied by
Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, April 17, 1879. my17

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our
Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on
the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is
admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jyl

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly
Manager of the Foochow Dock,
has this Day been admitted a Partner in
our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co.,
Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.

Hongkong, April 1, 1879. j78

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. HANCON having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and stored at their risk into
the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence
and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery
may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
Notice to the contrary be given before 4
p.m. TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
4th of May will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 29, 1879. my8

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. IRAOUADDY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNÉES of Cargo per S. S.
Euphrate, from London, in connec-
tion with the above Steamer, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be
obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before TO-MORROW, the 1st May,
at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after WED-
NESDAY, the 7th May, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my7

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNÉES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

H. L. c/o Mr A. Marty, No. 1, 1 case
Arms, from Marseilles.

Ex "Anadyr."
Lieut. Jonbert, Harel, 2 cases Wax, from
Salign.

Ex "Pélo."
S. P. Order, 23 bags Stones, from Madras.

Ex "Sindh."
K. J. (in diamond) No. 108, Order, 1 case
P. U. from London.

Hongkong, April 25, 1879.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenarney having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby informed that their Goods—
with the exception of Opium—are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Undersigned, whence and/or from
the Wharves or Boats delivery may be
obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 8
o'clock THIS AFTERNOON.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
9th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 2, 1879 my9

Intimations.

Volume Seventh of the
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

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Jottings from the Book of Rites.
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ming.

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Translations of Chinese School-books.
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ang.
Alchemy in China.

Appendix to Yülie's "Coins of the Ta-
ching Dynasty." "Hien Fung" Period.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary
Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—
A Few Fictitious Additions to Dr Douglas'
Dictionary.

Trouts in China.
Ancient Vases.
Inheritance.
Grading the Spring.
Adoption.

The Tam Kwal.
Mongol and Yuan-pao.
Leasehold Usage.
Chinese Coins.

Coronation of the King of Looshee.
The Ouyang Alphabet.
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,
Hongkong, March 21, 1879.

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BY
N. B. DENNIS, Ph.D.

THE following are selected from nume-
rous notices which have appeared in the
London, Continental and Eastern
papers:—

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literature—Athenaeum.

The book is entertaining and adds a good
deal to the facts of comparative mythology
—Pall Mall Budget.

A worthy pendant to Archdeacon Gray's
valuable volumes—Graphic.

A very amusing and very instructive
book—Spectator.

Adds useful testimony to curious infor-
mation—Ill. London News.

Full of curious interest to the general
reader and of valuable material for the
ethnological philosopher—British Quarterly
Review.

We are indebted to Dr. Dennis for a
welcome addition to all existing stores of
popular superstitions—John Bull.

A work which merits attention as being
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mythology—(Shanghai) Celestial Empire.

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esting matter—Japan Mail.

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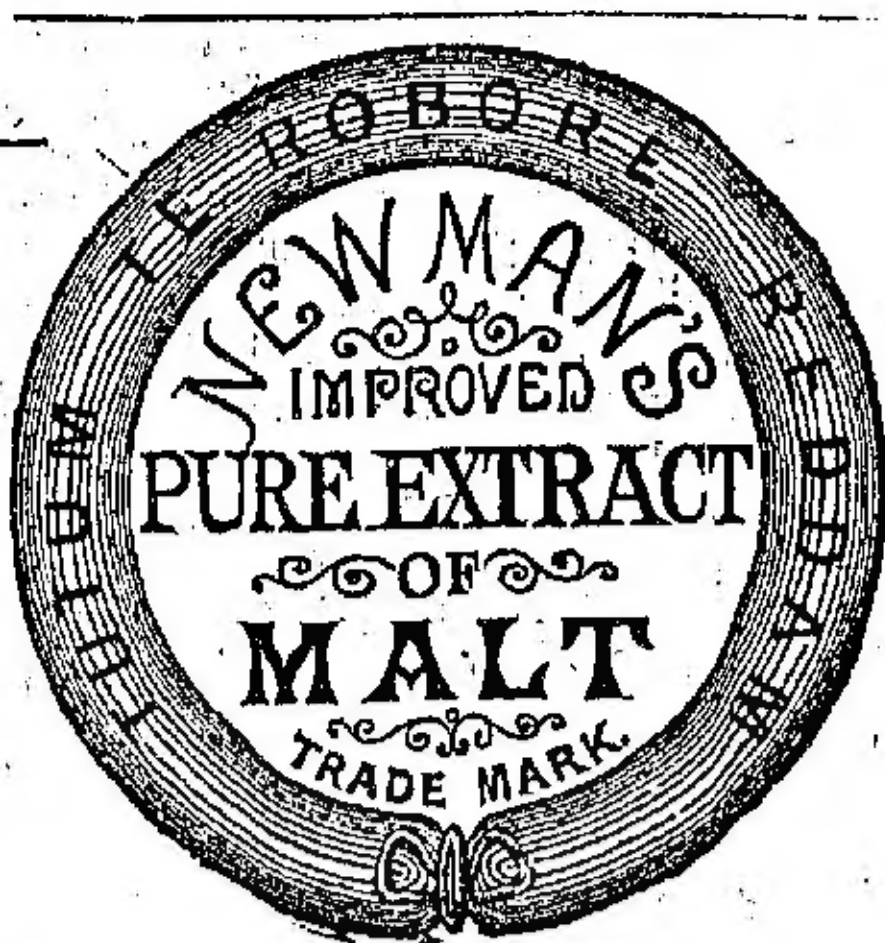
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being the Inventor was deliberately untrue;
which he regretted had been sworn to.
Eminent Hospital Physicians of London
stated that Dr. J. Collis Browne was the
discoverer of Chlorodyne; that they pre-
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This invaluable remedy produces quiet,
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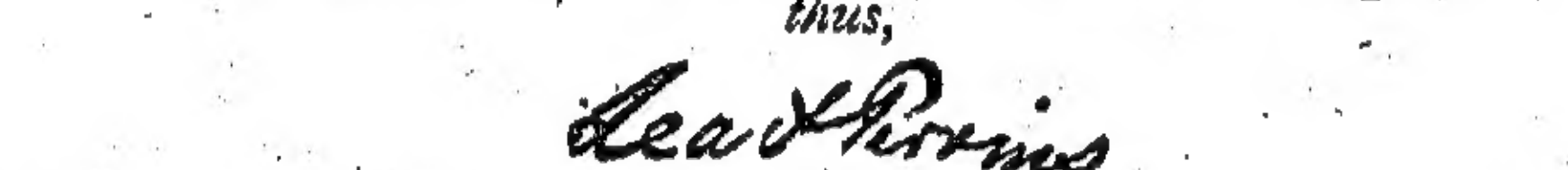
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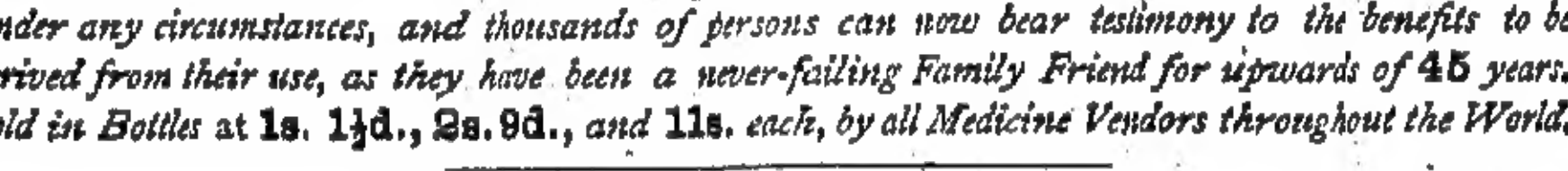
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Roughness, February 23, 1874.

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CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
lined has LEASED the Chinese Mail
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
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KONG CHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

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Captain H. O. Winsor—Order.

VERVUIS, American barque, Captain F.
W. Call—Order.

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To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Departure of the Steamship
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F. C. ACKERMANN, Master, for
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Hongkong, May 3, 1879. my5

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MARITIMES.

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The Company's Steamship
"TIGRE"
Commandant LE FORTE, will
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shortly after the arrival of the next French
Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 3, 1879.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 3, 6.30 a.m., Sunda, British steamer,
1028, J. Reeves, Yokohama April 26, Mails
and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

May 3, Agamemnon, British steamer,
1622, J. Wilding, Liverpool March 16, via
ports of call, and Singapore April 26, Gen-
eral.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

May 3, Glenfalloch, British steamer, 1886,
A. H. Taylor, Saigon April 29, Rice.—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

May 3, Lombardy, British steamer, 1726,
W. B. Hall, Bombay April 15, Galle, 20,
Penang, 25, and Singapore 27, Mails and
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May 3, Anna Bertha, German barque,
468, H. Krause, Toulon April 24, General.—
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May 3, Hermine, German barque, 850,
Meyer, Toulon April 21, General.—EDWARD
SCHELLHAAS & Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 3, Pernambuco, for Saigon.

3, Yutlung, for Swatow.

3, Ben Gloe, for Foochow.

3, Freya, German man-of-war, for
Europe, &c.

3, Wolf, German gunboat, for a cruise.

3, Glenfalloch, for Shanghai.

3, Hui-chong, for Amoy.

3, Freya, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Victory, for Tientsin.

Olympia, for Manila.

China, for Shanghai.

Ajan, for Singapore, London, &c.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Lombardy, for Hongkong: from
Southampton, Miss Green, Mr. O. Thomp-
son, Sub-Lieut. Carrow, and Mr. G. H.
Bunt; from Bombay, Messrs W. Farre,
and W. S. Cannon; from Calcutta, Mrs.
Bright; from Penang, 14 Chinese deck;
from Singapore, Mrs. Linstead and servant,
and 81 Chinese deck.—For Shanghai: from
Southampton, Messrs Hearse, and Ritchie;
from Venice, Mr. Brand, and Dr. Socke's
amah; from Madras, Mr. A. M. Archibald.

—For Yokohama: from Southampton, Mr.
North; from Singapore, Mr. and Mrs. Crane,
8 children and 2 servants, and Mr. J. Al-
meida.

Per Sunda, from Yokohama, Messrs C.
Cookran, J. W. Austen, E. Crowley, E. St.
John, S. Judd, E. Rickerby, W. Morrison,
and 3 Distressed Seamen.

Per Agamemnon, from Liverpool, Capt.
and Mrs. Paul (for Manila), and 363 Chinese
from Straits.

Per Glenfalloch, from Saigon, 28 Chinese.

Per Anna Bertha, from Toulon, 4 Chi-
nese.

DEPARTED.

Per Hailong, for Amoy, Mr. Larken.

Per Pernambuco, for Saigon, 20 Chinese.

Per Yutlung, for Swatow, 104 Chinese.

Per Ben Gloe, for Foochow, 40 Chinese.

Per Glenfalloch, for Shanghai, 1 Euro-
pean.

Per Freya, for Shanghai, 200 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Glenfalloch reports:
Fine weather throughout.

The British steamer Lombardy reports:
Fine weather throughout the passage.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For YOKOHAMA.—

Per S. S. Malacca, on Sunday, 4th Inst.
Registry closes at 4.45 p.m. Mail
closes at 5 p.m. Paid Correspond-
ence may then be posted in the
movable box on board the Packet.
The Post Office will be open to-
morrow from 8 to 9 a.m. and from 4
to 5 p.m.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per China, at 1.30 p.m., on Monday, the
5th Inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For AMOY AND SHANGHAI.—

Per Agamemnon, at 2.30 p.m., on Mon-
day, the 5th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per S. S. Lombardy, on Monday, 5th
Inst. Registry closes at 9.45 a.m.
Mail closes at 10 a.m. Late Letters
received from 10.10 to 10.30 with 18
cents Late Fee. Paid Correspond-
ence may then be posted in the
movable box on board the Packet.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—

Per Bellona, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 6th Inst.

For SAIGON.—

Per Adria, at 4 p.m., on Monday, the
5th Inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—

Per Namoa, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the
5th Inst.

For BANGKOK.—

Per Danube, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 6th Inst.

For FOOCHOW.—

Per Teicot, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 7th May.

For YOKOHAMA.—

Per Gordon Carl's, at 2.30 p.m., on
Wednesday, the 7th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per Glenfalloch, at 2.30 p.m., on Wed-
nesday, the 7th Inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet Osento will
be despatched on TUESDAY, the
6th May, with Mails for Japan, San
Francisco, and the United States,
which will be closed as follows:—

11.15 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay
can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, April 23, 1879. my5

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet Nizam,
will be despatched on TUESDAY,
the 6th May, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe via Brindisi or Southampton;
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,
Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the
Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet Sindh will
be despatched on TUESDAY, the
13th May, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,
India (via Madras), Australia, New
Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-
chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva,
and Alexandria. This is the best
opportunity for forwarding Corre-
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,
St. Helena, and Ascension.

MAILS BY THE TORRENT STRAITS PACKET.

The Australian Contract Packet Normanby,
will be despatched from Hongkong, on
TUESDAY, the 16th instant, with
Mails for Singapore, Thursday Island,
Cocktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen,
Koppal Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tas-
mania, New Zealand, Fiji, and Mel-
bourne.

Correspondence can be Registered till 1.15
p.m.

The Mails will be closed at 1.30. Supple-
mentary mail on board with 18 cents
late fee till time of departure.

Correspondence for Southern and Western
Australia can be sent by this route if
despatched, but as a general rule it is
better to send it via Galle.

Hongkong, May 1, 1879. my15

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet City of
Tokyo, will be despatched on TUES-
DAY, the 20th May, with Mails for
Japan, San Francisco, and the United
States, which will be closed as fol-
lows:—

11.15 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

11.30 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
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Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),
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Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my20

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THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing
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French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure, —

5 P.M.—Money Order Office closes; Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.

Day of departure, —

7 A.M.—Post Office opens.

10 A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter and
patterns ceases.

11 A.M.—Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.

11.10 A.M.—Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents until.

11.30 A.M.—when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.40 A.M.—Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late Fee of
18 cents until time of departure.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, May 3, 1879.

OPIMUM.—New Pains, cash, \$562½

" Old " cash, " "

" New Benares, cash, 585

" Old " cash, " "

" New Malwa, cash, 775

" Allowance " cash, " "

" Old Malwa, credit, 775

" Allowance " credit, " "

Exchange.

Bank, Wire, " " " 37½

" 30 days' sight, " " " 37½

" 6 months' sight, " " " 38½

Credit, " " " 38½

Documentary, 6 months' sight, 38½

India, Wi, " " " 224

" demand, " " " 225

Shanghai, demand, " " " 72½

" 30 days' sight, " " " 73½

Gold Leaf, 99½ " " " 25 90

Sovereigns, " " " 5.43

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 40 % prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,400

China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,500

North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,300

Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 750

Chinese Insurance Co., \$280

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$750

China Fire Ins. Co., \$175

H.K. & W. Dock Co., 5 % prem.

H.K. & W. S. Boat Co., \$10 dis.

Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17

China Coast S. Nav. Co., Tls. 95, ex div.

Hongkong Hotel Co., \$35

China Sugar Refining Co., \$137

Chinese Imperial Loan, \$118

Do. of 1877, \$110

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises,
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HONGKONG, May 3, 1879.

Barometer, 9 A.M. " 30.044

Do. 1 P.M. " 29.990

Do. 4 P.M. " 29.990

Thermometer, 9 A.M. " 78

Do. 1 P.M. " 78

Do. 4 P.M. " 78

Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. " 73

Do. 1 P.M. " 73

Do. 4 P.M. " 73

Do. Maximum " 78

Do. Minimum over night " 75

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Goods per Hankow undelivered after
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RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—The Right
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Morning Service, 11, Evening 4. Holy
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Prayer and Sermon.

Military Service.—Rev. J. Henderson,
officiating Military Chaplain. At 8 a.m.
Morning Prayer, &c. Holy Communion
on the second and fourth Sunday in the
month.

UNION CHURCH.—Morning Service, at
11 A.M. Afternoon, 6 P.M.—Divine Service
in Chinese, 3 P.M. every Sunday, with
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—Rev. Dr. Eitel.

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J. Henderson. Service at 8 p.m., every
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Morning Prayer and Communion on the
First Sunday in each month at 11 a.m.

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev.
A. B. Hutchinson, and Rev. Lo Sam
Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.) Morn-
ing Prayer:—Liturgy, Bible Class, at 3
p.m. Preaching, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Com-
munion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.

BERNARD FOUNDLING HOUSE.—Service in
the German language, by Pastor E. Klitzke,
every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in
the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House,
West Point.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Garden Road.—
In the morning, Mass at 8 o'clock.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

2 p.m.—China leaves for Shanghai.

change in the nature of the entertainment will meet with the approval of all, provided that careful steps are taken to ensure that none save subscribers and invited guests are allowed to enter the Gardens, on the occasion of the Party.

ROBBERIES and piracies are very rife at present in the neighbourhood of Canton. A passenger boat running to the Fah Yuen district was attacked by a gang at night, the Captain killed, and the whole of the passengers' baggage, value at about \$1,000, carried off. The passengers were landed with nothing left them save what they stood in. A description of stolen property has been handed to the authorities, and there, we suppose, the matter will end. Another gang of about forty men attacked the fishing village of Tohr, Tan, some fifteen miles above Canton, but the villagers, a hardy set of men, turned out en masse, and surrounded them. Seven of the rascals were captured, and were made shorter by a head last Tuesday. Gang robberies appear to be in high favor just now, amongst these desperadoes, and life in isolated villages has all that liveliness and freedom from monotony which every one so much enjoys.

His Honor Mr. J. J. Francis sat for a short time this morning in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, to hear a suit brought by one Chow Alook, against Yew Atoo and Lee Atoo, to recover \$908.14, being balance of account due for stone supplied. The plaintiff had contracted to supply a quantity of stone for \$3898.64 to the defendants, who had in their turn contracted to supply the same to Mr. Degener. \$2898.50 had been paid, and plaintiff sued for the balance. The defendants did not appear, and judgment was entered for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, with costs. Mr. Sharp appeared for the plaintiff.

WE understand that in view of the approaching visit of General Grant to Canton, and with a view to adding *clat* to the arrival of Mr. Robert Hart, the Inspector General of Customs, the Custom House shed at Canton has been whitewashed, an occurrence which will long be remembered in the annals of the City of Rams. This is a governmental movement which does not happen every day. It is reported that there was a considerable amount of discussion as to what colour it should be whitewashed, but it has been whitewashed white, at which we cannot but express our gratification. White was chosen, we are informed, so that the shed, like everybody else, might have its summer clothing on, and as the badge-of-innocence colour was best adapted for the examiners to "tot" down in pencil any little memoranda they might see reason to make. It is to be hoped that the vast and reckless expenditure represented by these large public improvements will not imperil the financial credit of the country. It would be a pity if it too had to be "whitewashed."

H. E. THE GOVERNOR, on the termination of the billiard play by Messrs Shorter and Roberts at Government House on Friday, highly complimented these gentlemen on the magnificence of their play, and stated that he and General Grant had been so immensely pleased with the entertainment that they would attend at the Club that evening to again witness the play. At the Club, last night, the billiard room was crowded, and an excellent exhibition was made. Messrs Roberts and Shorter play at the Club again on Tuesday night, many of the members who were anxious to be present not being able to obtain admission owing to the crowded state of the room, and most of those who witnessed the entertainment being desirous of seeing a repetition, or better still a slight change of programme, which those accomplished players are so well qualified to arrange. Messrs Roberts and Shorter leave Hongkong for Shanghai next week, and after, we hope, a successful season there, proceed to Japan, visiting Yokohama and the other principal ports, and returning to England via San Francisco and New York.

The following is the order of Service at St. John's Cathedral to-morrow, (8th Sunday after Easter):

Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion, at 11.—Reader, The Colonial Chaplain; Preacher, The Bishop of Victoria; First Lesson, Numbers XXII.; Second Lesson, Luke XXI.; Psalms, Nos. 26 and 27; Monks, De Deum, No. 11; Mercor Benediction, No. 6; Mercor Anthem, "My God, how wonderful thou art," No. 169; Kyrie, Missa de Angelis; Hymn, "Jesus, gentlest Saviour," No. 324.

Evening Prayer and Sermon, at 4.—Reader, The Colonial Chaplain; Preacher, The Colonial Chaplain; First Lesson, Numbers XXII.; Second Lesson, Theodolinda; 1st Psalm, No. 23; Monks; Cantate Domine, No. 118; Monks; Deus Misericordiarum, No. 8; Monks; First Hymn, "O let him whose sorrow," 288; Second Hymn, "Hark, hark my soul," No. 223.

The case between Jardine Matheson & Co. and Goto Shojiro, relative to the Takashima Coal Mine, has been arranged, the defendant submitting to a verdict for eleven hundred thousand dollars.

The Japan Herald, (25 April) says:—One of the O. & O. Company's ships has again made one of those fast passages for which the line has become celebrated. The *Belgic* left here for San Francisco on the 27th March, and on the 21st inst. telegram was received here, dated New York, the 13th inst., acknowledging receipt of letters by her. The *Belgic* must therefore have made the passage in about 16 days, and the mails for Europe, which would leave New York on Saturday, would be due in England on the 27th instant, thus arriving in only 31 days from Yokohama.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon C. B. Plunkett.)
Saturday, 3rd May.

STORING TIMBER ON CROWN LAND.
Chan Aon, Master of the Kwong Li boat-bullers' shop, was fined \$3 for storing timber on Crown Land, near the Civil Hospital.

FINDING WHAT WASN'T LOST.
Chun Ahol, a farmer, unemployed, was charged with stealing two water buckets at Hong Nam. He said that on the way home from the theatre, seeing the two buckets, he thought perhaps no one would claim them, so he carried them off and was arrested. He admitted that he had been in goal a good many times, but he could not say how many.

Five previous convictions were produced. His Worship sentenced the unemployed farmer to six months' imprisonment, the first and last fourteen days in solitary confinement, on rice and water, the rest with hard labour.

JACK ANKORRE.
George Sweeney, seaman, Salors' Home, and Frederick John Sharp, marine, R.M.S. *Moore*, were each fined \$1 for drunkenness, with the alternative of four days' hard labour.

DON'T DO IT AGAIN.
Chun A Wan, a coolie, was charged with a somewhat unusual offence, which on the charge sheet was described as disorderly conduct and damaging property.—Chun A Mui, the inmate of a brothel, stated that the defendant visited her, and in the course of the day he blackened a towel and wanted her to wipe her face with it. She refused, and then he wanted to force her to do it. A policeman was called in, and defendant given into custody. The constable stated that he found the man sitting on the bed quietly smoking. His Worship discharged the man with a caution.

THE FIGHT ON BOARD SHIP.
Li Ahung, Tang Aik, Tse Aluk, Wong Afuk, Ip Alam, coolies, and Sheik Kasim, fireman S. S. *Adria*, were charged by Sheik Mudagy, Serang of the *Adria*, with assaulting him and creating a disturbance on board the vessel. The sixth defendant was further charged with being drunk on board. It appears that the sixth defendant was drunk, and interfered with the Chinese coolies, who were discharging the cargo, and the consequence was that they turned upon him and a free fight took place between the Chinese and the Lascars on board. One Lascar was thrown overboard by the first and third defendants, and had a rope not been thrown to him by one of the sailors a charge of murder might have had to be answered by the defendants. The Chief Officer (Mr. Case) said that he witnessed the disturbance on board. The Chinese appeared to be very excited. He was under the impression that the man who got in the water jumped overboard. They seemed not to know the result in any way so far as he could see. The defendants were so excited that they struck at any one they came across. The sixth defendant admitted being drunk, and was fined \$5, with the alternative of fourteen days' hard labour; the second defendant was fined \$1 with the alternative of four days' hard labour, and the others were sent to fourteen days' hard labour each.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "CHINA MAIL."

SIR,—Observing the spirit in which a portion of the Press here has gone in for reporting the visit of General Grant, I have ascertained, by means of a friend of mine who has a friend, who is a friend of a man who is a bedroom "boy" at Government House, that General Grant last night went to his virtuous couch at 22½ minutes past 11; he had no "night cap." In the morning he drank a glass of water, and "in the course of conversation," which the opposition reporter only heard through the key-hole and of which therefore he is only able to give a meagre and unsatisfactory account, the General said he believed it to be the best tonic in the world. We understand the General, however, occasionally patronizes Ena's Fruit Salt. We are in a position to state on authority that His Excellency and the General did not have brandy and soda in the verandah before they retired; His Excellency had whiskey and water; he drank "laley," bottled by Sir R. Burnet & Co., from Watson and Co.'s stores. The General drank Old Tom imported by Lane Crawford & Co. The Governor slept in pyjamas, which is his nightly habit. The General did otherwise. We are informed it is arranged that they do the same to-morrow night.

P.S.—With respect, Sir, I may mention that you can have as much of the same sort of the above as you require, at reasonable terms. It all depends upon how you stump up whether I shall send you any more or no.

NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Lombardy*, Captain Hall, after a very good run of a little over 54 days, arrived this morning with the English Mail of the 26th March.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

(For Straits Times.)
London, April 22.—Latest advices from Capetown are dated 8th April, and bring news of Lord Chelmsford having reached Gough's on 6th inst. His camp at Gough's has been repeatedly attacked by upwards of 12,000 Zulus but they were repulsed with heavy loss.
Lord Chelmsford effected the relief of Kwa on the night of 4th April, the total loss on the side of the British was 320. *Shaw* has been captured, Col. Pearson

returning to Tugela. 1,200 Zulus were killed in the engagement of 2nd inst.
London, April 22.—It is announced that the British Government has decided to recall Mr. Rivers Wilson.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

(From Indian Papers.)
London, April 14th.—The news wired on Saturday last from London that Lord Salisbury had received an offer from the Sultan to depose the Khedive is entirely unconfirmed. The Sultan has decided nothing as yet. An envoy from the Khedive to the Sultan has left Egypt for Constantinople. The French Government will act in accord with the British Government as regards Egypt.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—The perpetrator of the attempted assassination of the Czar is one Jean Sokoloff, an employee in the Finance Department. Four shots were fired, but the Czar was unharmed. Extraordinary enthusiasm and joy at his escape have been displayed here by the people.

Aden, April 16.—The latest news from Mandalay reports everything quiet, but in order to be prepared for the worst, the Government has given orders that one of the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company's steamers shall remain at Mandalay, with fires banked, in case Mr. Shaw may deem it necessary to leave the city.

Bombay, April 15.—Finley, Scott and Company have suspended payment. Their liabilities are thirty lacs, but it is not expected to affect Bombay much. One of the corresponding firms in London is Baring Brothers.

London, April 16.—The Times publishes a letter from Cairo, showing that the action of the Khedive embodied the policy of Egypt for the Egyptians, and that a case of the Khedive will support him. The difficulty of European intervention is thus greatly increased.

Bombay, April 17.—The Bank of Bengal issues £120,000 and the Bank of Bombay Rs. 60,000 by Finley, Scott and Company's failure, which, it is said, will not affect Baring Brothers, of London.

London, April 17.—Advices from Capetown dated 1st April state that the force destined to relieve Colonel Pearson at Ekwe started from Natal on the 28th March. The force consists of 6,000 men of all arms, besides two Gatling guns, two field guns, and several rockets. Col. Lauder commands the advance guard and Col. Fomberton the rear guard. The relieving column was quite well on the 30th March, and Col. Pearson had not called that he saw the vanguard. On the 27th he signalled that 200 of his garrison were disabled and only 500 were then effective. A force of 35,000 Zulus await the relieving column.

St. Petersburg, April 17.—It has been ascertained that the name of the perpetrator of the attempted assassination of the Czar is Sokoloff, a schoolmaster, and not Ivan Sokoloff as stated. The Czar, in reply to the congratulations on his escape announced the extraordinary repressive measures that would now be taken.

London, April 17.—At the Oriental Bank meeting to-day the conduct of the Directors was approved by Lord Lawrence, Admiral Commerell, and others who were present, and the report was unanimously passed.

London, April 17.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question, said that the Government has no information of the further advance of our troops in Afghanistan and that the home Government had not ordered it.
Calcutta, April 14.—Major Macpherson's brigade advanced from Jellalabad on the 12th to Gundamak, towards Kabul, also the 10th Hussars, horse artillery, Colonel Delatour's mountain battery and the 17th Foot from Putehabad. The beat at Jellalabad is very great.

Lahore, April 16.—Advices from Kabul to the Civil and Military Gazette report that the Afghan troops are being daily reinforced, and that the Ameri is making preparations for an obstinate defence. The Government proposition of sending Major General Cavagnar as an envoy to Kabul is reported to have failed.

Lahore, April 16.—There will be an immediate advance of the first division of the third brigade under Brigadier Appleyard, who remains at Jellalabad. Major-General Mande has been transferred to the first division. Col. Bright commands the second division. Col. Colley will be the chief of the staff.

(L. and O. Express, Mar. 28.)
There is a reason to believe that Captain P. H. Colomb will be appointed to the command of the *Vernon*, torpedo school, at Portsmouth, on Captain Arthur completing his period of service in April. Captain Colomb was last employed as flag-captain to Vice-Admiral Ryder, when commander-in-chief on the China station from 1st September, 1874, to December, 1877.

The *Nassau*, a surveying vessel. Commander Lang, arrived in Plymouth Sound on the 26th inst., from the China Station, having exchanged news with the *Magpie*, surveying vessel, before leaving station. She was fitted out at Sheerness in 1873, and recommissioned at Hongkong in 1877. She will pay off at Sheerness.

A musician of the second division of Marines at Wilhelmshaven Herr Eckert, has been appointed by the Japanese Government director of the *dette* musical corps at Tokio. Herr Eckert is to organize the Japanese military music after the German fashion.

The *Duquoy*, a double-screw composite gun-vessel, will be commissioned at Portsmouth on the 7th prox., for service on the China Station.

Mr. Edison has exhibited the working of his incandescent light in New York with excellent results. Mr. Edison states that he can now supply light for practical domestic use at half the cost of gas.

Mr. James Morgan, Consul at Canton, has obtained an extension of leave, and will not leave until June. Mr. F. J. Hughes returns from China on leave in April, and we hear has withdrawn his resignation.

The German Ambassador to Japan, Herr Von. Elsendecker, will in a few days return to his post at Tokio, when the pending negotiations about a revision of the Treaty of 1870 are to be resumed on the basis of certain proposals submitted by the Japanese Government.

Mr. Barker asked the Postmaster-General what number and amount of penalties have been incurred by the P. & O. Company during the last eleven years; how many have been remitted and how many exacted; if it is the case that although the tendency is to be made under the absolute penalty condition in the contract itself, the liability has been commuted for a sum of £10,000, and if the absolute penalty clause was suggested by the P. & O. Company; and if it is aware that the effect of it has been to prevent other companies tendering, as they

had no guarantee that there would be a remission in their case under any circumstances whatever.

Lord J. Manners, in reply, said during the last eleven years the number of voyages on which penalties were incurred by the Company was 345, and the amount of such penalties was £265,900. Of this sum, £7,000 was remitted on account of 27 voyages, and the balance (£258,900) exacted. The form of tender for the service recently contracted for was based upon a system of absolute penalties. But persons tendering were invited to say what deductions they would agree to in the subsidy, if the penalties, instead of being absolute, were made conditional. The Company in their tender offered to abate £10,000 a year in such case, and Clause 50 of the contract gave the Postmaster-General the power to avail himself of the offer. The absolute penalty clause in the last contract was not suggested by the Company, but was insisted upon by the Post-office. He was not aware that the effect had been to prevent other companies from tendering.

Over fifty thousand tea plants, says the *Scientific American*, have been distributed lately in the Middle and Southern States by the Bureau of Agriculture. In three or four years these plants will be large enough to permit a full picking of the leaves. Experiments have been made with tea leaves grown in the grounds of the department and in the South, after Japan methods, the product being pronounced an excellent Oolong by dealers and experts. The only present obstacle to the profitable cultivation of tea in this country on a large scale is the amount of hand labour required in curing the leaves. The Commissioner is confident that American ingenuity can produce machinery by means of which the preparation of the leaves may be effected better and cheaper than is possible even with "Chinese cheap labour." There is no good reason why any family having a garden plot in the southern and middle portions of the United States should not produce with little trouble all the tea needed for home consumption, without elaborate machinery.

The Government have come to an arrangement as to laying a telegraph cable to the Cape. It is to be manufactured by the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company; and the route is to be from Aden to Zanzibar, thence to Mozambique, Delagoa Bay, and Natal. This will connect the Cape with the whole Eastern system of telegraphy, which extends to India, China, Australia, New Zealand, &c., and it is free from the objection of going through possibly hostile country. The contractors engage to lay the line from Durban to Zanzibar before the end of July, the whole to be completed before the end of November. The Companies have been satisfied as to the guarantees of the various Governments. The sum is not definitely fixed, but it will amount to not less than £60,000 a year.

The Royal plate at Windsor, of which an inventory has just been taken, is stated to be of the value of £1,800,000. It includes a gold service, ordered by George IV., which will dine 140 persons, and one of the finest wine-coolers in the world, added to the collection by the same monarch; a shield formed of snuff-boxes worth £9,000, and thirty dozen plates, worth £10,000. There are also a variety of pieces brought from abroad and India. The latter include a peacock of precious stones of every description, worth £30,000, and Tipoo's foot-stool, a tiger's head with crystal teeth and a solid ingot of gold for his tongue.

On the 22nd inst. the annual report of the Deutsche Dampfschiff-Rhederei (German Steamship Company) for the past year was published. It appears that the result of the year cannot be called a favourable one; the outward voyages, as well as most of the coasting trips in China, upon which the steamers of the Company have been employed, have not been remunerative, the slight profits in most cases being absorbed by the low homeward rates of freight, which, being sometimes as small as £1 to £1 10s, led to a loss (which added to that of former years) amounts to the considerable sum of m. 1,362,289.04 (£65,000). In this sum, however, are comprised m. 493,299, representing a loss incurred by the sale or exchange of the two steamships *Galathea* and *Egyptia*, which being found unsuitable for the trade of the Company, were handed over to the firm Dubie and Co., of Govan, in part payment for two new steamers built by that firm. These steamers, of which the first is at present loading here, are called the *Electra* and *Lydia*, and are esteemed especially adapted for the trade to the East, as well as on the China coast. The value of the steamers of the company is looked as follows:—*Adriana*, m. 280,000; *Belona*, m. 250,000; *Cassiopeia*, m. 400,000; *Feronia*, m. 500,000; *Hesperia*, m. 600,000; *Olympia*, m. 250,000; *Electra* (portion paid), m. 441,867; *Lydia* (portion paid), m. 374,851. These sums, in most instances, are moderate, and as there are signs of a slight improvement in the trade, and low prices rule for coal, &c., next year probably would yield a small dividend to the shareholders, but for the above named losses of m. 1,362,289. If these could be done away with the position of the company would be quite satisfactory, and the managers therefore have proposed the same remedy to the shareholders, which some time since was employed by the Hamburg-American Company, namely, a reduction of the paid-up capital to the extent of 33½ per cent. If this proposition should be accepted by the shareholders, the present shares of m. 1,600 will be exchanged for shares of the value of m. 1,000.

Latest Mail Advices.—Yokohama (via San Francisco) Feb. 15, Shanghai 15, Foochow 14, Hong Kong 22. The P. & O. mail, from Yokohama 6th, Shanghai 8th, Hong Kong 14th, Singapore 22nd Feb., was received, via Brindisi, on the 22nd inst., two days early, and the Japan advices, via San Francisco, on the 24th inst. The French mail, with the advices dated as above, from China and the Straits Settlements, reached London, via Naples, this day, three days in advance of due date. The steamer *Hindostan*, with the heavy portion of the P. & O. mail, left Gibraltar for Southampton on the 28th inst.

Hamburg departures have been numerous, being favoured by a fair wind and clear weather. The arrivals from the Far East have been the *Japan*, Walter, from Hong Kong; *Glennard*, Brown, from Hio; and *Walter Stegmann*, Polp, from Foochow; the only departure being the *Olaf*, s.s. Andreasen, for Hong Kong. On the berth are at present for China, &c., *Electra*, s.s. (Deutsche Dampfschiff-Rhederei), Boehme, commander, to leave 31st March; *Peruvia*, Crowbie, to leave at the end of this week for Penang and Singapore; *Trizon*, Kallien, and *Adolph Horn*, both for Hong Kong; and *Henriette Behn*, Schaeffelt, for Manila.

Intelligence has been received at St. Petersburg from Yemot that the Chinese troops have massacred one thousand people

at Tash-Balik, near the Kulja frontier, and at Oofali, three miles from Kashgar, for assisting the insurgents during the recent raid of Khakim Khan. Three thousand Mussulman refugees have arrived at the Russian lines along the Arghash, seeking protection from the Chinese. An intermittent war between the Chinese and the Kirghiz still continues.

At the annual meeting of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, on the 11th prox., the directors will recommend a dividend for the half-year ended Dec. 31 last at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum (free of income-tax), making, with the interim dividend in October last, 5 per cent. for the whole year. The balance carried forward will be £8,766 18s. 6d.

The s.s. *Wuhu*, Capt. Tapp, iron twin-screw steamer, recently launched and fitted up by Messrs. Scott and Co., of the Garvel Shipyard, left the Victoria Harbour, Greenock, March 18, for the Garcelo to adjust compasses, &c. While lying in the Victoria Harbour fitting out, this steamer was visited by a large number of people, in consequence of her novel and peculiar build. After coaling, the *Wuhu* will shortly leave Greenock for Liverpool, and thereafter proceed to China, to be employed on the Yangtze service of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. We hear that Messrs. Scott and Co. have contracted for another of similar construction.

China.

FOOCHOW.

(Herald, April 24th.)

Rather an ingenious fraud was reported to us a few days ago. A native bullion broker called upon one of the gold shops in the City, and offered four gold bars for sale. The proper weight of a native gold bar is understood to be 11s. 10. Four bars should therefore weigh 47s. 38. But in this case the vendor declared that the four bars together weighed only 38s. The proprietor of the gold shop put the bars in a scale and found that they weighed the customary weight (47s. 38 each). He was over-greedy, however, and, thinking that there was a mistake on the right side, turned to the broker and said,—"It is true the four bars weigh only 38s. 38 as you state, but I will take them at that weight." A bargain was struck, the money paid, and the vendor was about to leave the shop, when, as if suddenly inspired with a happy thought, he said to the bullion dealer,—"Perhaps you would not object to giving me an acknowledgment in writing of the weight, so that in the case of there being any dispute hereafter I may be cleared?" The dealer fell into the trap; gave a written acknowledgment that the bars weighed only 38s. 38, and retired, no doubt well pleased with his bargain. But later on, it was (as I) discovered that the gold bars were partly iron. The bullion dealer was, of course, frantic; but to no purpose.—s on examination the gold bars were found to weigh together 38s. 40, and the broker's receipt was for 38s. 38 weight. The outwitted dealer lost, we hear, about \$1000 by this creditable transaction.

SHANGHAI.

(Mercury.)

A somewhat singular case is reported shortly to be coming off at the Mixed Court. Some fourteen years ago the proprietress of a questionable house bought a little girl. She has spent considerable sums of money on her, in educating her and bringing her to a state of beauty and culture, which she fondly hoped would enable her to sell her at a proper age to some rich man. The old woman now having become very poor, thought the time had come for her to realize, and in order to do so, offered to sell her for a moderate price. Two other women made their appearance, and saying they had a demand for such a girl in a certain quarter, asked to be allowed to take the maiden and siew her to the would-be purchaser. The proprietress, having no suspicions, consented, but accompanied the trio a few feet to a house having all the appearance of respectability. She was here told to wait outside, while the others entered. Presently a servant came out of the house and told the woman that she must go, and return on the following day for the answer. Still doubting nothing, she acted on the information; but on her return the following day, the people of the house declared that there was a great mistake, as they had no such person there as she said had entered the house. The poor woman was nearly distracted at the deception that had been practised upon her; and at once proceeded to the Mixed Court and lodged a complaint. The two women have been found and arrested; but the young girl has not been recovered.

Japan.

(Mail.)

It is reported, says the *Hochi Shimbun*, that the Chinese Minister for some unknown reason will return home shortly, but his departure is said to have no reference whatever to the intercourse between Japan and China.

Mr. Yoshikawa, the Director of Telegraphs, accompanied by Nakano, his subordinate officer, left this port for Hongkong en route to England, by the S. S. *Zanais*, which sailed on the 10th instant. He was admitted to an audience with H. M. the Emperor on the 8th instant.

Major Okamoto who has been detained in custody through being implicated in the Takebashi mutiny, was, on 6th inst., deprived of his official rank and decorations and prohibited re-entering both the Civil and Military service for life. Captains Teuda and Kai were on the same day deprived of their decorations.

The total value of the Japanese articles sold in the recent French Exhibition was about yen 833,000.

A further sum of yen 18,000 has been added to the sum of yen 10,000 intended to cover all expenses connected with the Sydney Exhibition. It has also been decided that the Government will pay the freight of the articles from Yokohama to Sydney, and that two officers will be sent to the latter port. The native merchants of Nagasaki are negotiating for the establishment of a Chamber of Commerce in that port. Higo Kojiro of Kiyoto, at present staying in this port, is said to have prepared a material for dyeing, called *Ference* (P) out of the blood of oxen killed at the butcheries. He has applied to the authorities for permission to establish a manufactory for it. The matches manufactured by the Shindzu Company are being exported to Switzerland in large quantities. It is said that the export of these articles has been so large that the 43 match factories which formerly

existed in that country are now reduced to only 12.

The samples of the first crop of the new Suruga tea have already arrived in Yokohama. Their prices however have not yet been fixed.

There having been an unusually heavy fall of snow in Kushino, Yezo and its neighbourhood since the beginning of the year, deer hunting has been very successful. About 100 hunters, together with the natives of the Islands, are said to have taken about 100,000 head of game.

The Kumamoto *shikoku* who attempted to revolt against the Government in the month of January last, received their sentences on the 27th ultimo. Inako was sentenced to degradation from the rank of *shizoku* and 18 months' imprisonment; Iida and Kobayashi, to degradation from the rank of *shizoku* and 12 months' imprisonment; and, Murasaki and Magurikaji, to degradation from the rank of *shizoku* and 6 months' imprisonment.

A fire broke out in Honfusa-cho, Tokio, on the night of the 6th instant extending over Muramachi, Nagahamacho, Anjinhoo, and Hon-dawara-cho, destroying about 180 houses. Various sums of money have been presented by several gentlemen, to the people rendered homeless by this fire.

A fire broke out on the morning of the 8th instant, in Kitakyoshimicho, Asakusa, Tokio, and was not extinguished until 135 houses had been destroyed and 11 damaged. Mr. Reed and his son took their departure for Europe, via the United States, in the O. & O. steamship *Gaelic*, on Friday morning. On the previous evening he was entertained by some of the merchants of Yokohama in the Maehigashio. Several high Japanese officials both of Yokohama and Tokio were present on the occasion. During the evening music was performed by the Japanese Band. The Maehigashio was illuminated on the occasion, and a display of fireworks by the nited Mr. Hiramama took place, but unfortunately owing to the miserable state of the weather this feature in the proceedings was not a great success. On the previous Wednesday, Mr. Reed was admitted to an audience of the Emperor for the purpose of taking leave of His Majesty.

The Imperial Chinese Customs *Gazette* for the last quarter of 1878 indicates a trifling revival of trade in the North of China, especially in Newchwang, Tientsin, Chiaoow, and Shanghai also, as witness to an improved condition of affairs. Not so with the South, the returns were almost without exception entirely dull and depression. Ningpo, Wenzhow, and Foochow are all struggling against calamity. Formosa ceases to absorb imports; and has hardly any exports with the exception of tea. Any is described as rapidly losing its hold upon foreign trade, and also dealing only in tea. Of all the Southern ports Swatow alone shows signs of an increasing commerce; but even there the staple sugar industry has during the past two years experienced a decided check. We learn that the wasteful methods of extraction, and the heavy duties levied, prevent Chinese sugar from entering into successful competition with the produce of more favoured countries.

Whatever may be said as to the dulness of trade in Japan, it does not appear to lack variety. It is reported that by a steamship recently leaving Kobe an enterprising native of the Middle Kingdom shipped thirty-four atties of dried centipedes to China, where they are in demand as an ingredient of medicines for the cure of a variety of serious ailments. Owing, it is said, to the supply of centipedes belonging to some parts of China may be inclined to doubt—the price had risen to a figure that promised a respectable return on the consignment. We should imagine that Singapore might enter the market as a competitor in this branch of trade. If this sort of thing goes on we shall have breeding farms established for centipedes.

Mr. F. Krebs, who has filled the post of manager of the Mitsui Bishi Company since its commencement, was a passenger by the O. & O. steamship *Gaelic* on Thursday. He proceeds home on a short leave of absence, partly on the company's business, and partly to recruit his health, which it is hoped a trip to Europe will thoroughly restore. As a mark of the esteem in which he is held, an address was a few days before his departure, presented to him which had been signed by the whole of the shore employees, and all the head officers alike.

The Minister of Justice has recently notified the Presidents of the law courts supply him with the names of all the lawyers practising in their courts, who are of good behaviour, well acquainted with the laws and Government regulations, and who are, in their opinion, fitted for discharging the duties of Judges should they be required to do so.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.—
VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.		
When left.	Name.	From.
Oct.		
18, Ernst,		Antwerp
18, Rosine,		Cardiff
19, Hermann,		Brem.
Nov.		
21, Fula,		Hamburg
20, Rosine,		Cardiff
Dec.		
18, Blenheim,		Flushing
23, Glamis Castle,		Cardiff
Feb.		
2, Vals o' Doon,		Antwerp
12, Edward Barrow,		Hamburg
12, South American,		Penarth
13, Vigilant,		Cardiff
22, Grossfurst Constantine,		Hamburg
22, Agnes Muir,		London
23, Monte Rosa,		Cardiff
23, G. C. Truank,		Cardiff
26, Patroclus (s.),		Liverpool
Mar.		
4, Chosroes,		London (Cardiff)
5, Windhover,		London

POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage

(Revised April 4th, 1879.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. Any of them in a Book Packet expose it to the higher charges stated below.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 4 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

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Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
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Commercial Papers, 8 cents per 4 oz.

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Post Cards, 8 cents each.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 4 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 4 cents per 2 oz.
Commercial Papers, 8 cents per 4 oz.

There is no charge on re-directed correspondence within the Postal Union.

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Via Suez, via S. Hampton, via Brindisi, or via Naples, Brindisi

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Registration, None. 8 6
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 6 6 8

Bolivia, Costa Rica (N.B.), Ecuador (N.B.), Nicaragua (N.B.):—

Letters, 20 30 34
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 12 4 6
Registration, 8 None None

Hawaiian Kingdom:—

Letters, 12 12 16
Registration, None. None. None.
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 6 6 8

W. Indies (except as above), Paraguay, Uruguay:—

Letters, — 30 34
Newspapers, — 4 6
Books & Patterns, — 6 8
Registration, — 8 8

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LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE.

Within any Town or Settlement, or between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, 2 8 2 2
Between any other two of the following places (through British Office) viz.—Hongkong, Macao, Port of China and Japan, Bangkok, Cochinchina, Yonkin, and the Philippines, by Private Ship, 4 8 2 2
Between the above by Contract Mail, 8 8 2 2

Any publication fulfilling the conditions stated named can pass as a newspaper.

The conditions are as follows:—
1st. The publication must consist wholly in great part of political or other news, of articles relating thereto, or to other recent topics, with or without advertisements.

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 10 days, and be printed on a sheet or sheets unbound.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and date of publication at the top of every subsequent page, and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, uncut, or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper.

The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped wrapper.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, water, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inspected.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass, or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, whether such binding, &c. be loose or attached; and also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., and, in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or usually appertaining thereto; but the binding, rollers, &c. must not be sent as a separate packet.

Circulars, &c., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, may also be sent by book post.

But a book-packet may not contain any letter, or communication of the nature of a letter (whether separate or otherwise), unless it be in a circular-letter or be wholly printed; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection. If this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, water, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; or otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string; Postmasters being authorised to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

PATTERNS.

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries is restricted to bona fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise.

Goods sent for sale, or in exchange of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. Samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which such articles only, may be put in boxes, or bags of linen or other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened, or, in the case of seeds &c., in bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of any Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office, is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches

of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metal, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples. Indigo cannot be sent to any place.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters—except those to and through Australia—from 11.10 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

A similar supplementary Mail is made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee is also 18 cents.

Miscellaneous Notices.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business. (See Local Guide, par. 103.)

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Shanghai, or the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the British Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Fakhoo, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 1 foot long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 5 lbs. The postage will be 20 cents per lb., which will include Registration. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTERS; but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.); Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Post, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the sender against any but a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails should be delivered free there.

Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Berne provides that "Neither the sender nor the addressee of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching Office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or especially extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

The above does not apply in any case to letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.

Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Any foreign stamps on loose correspondence are obliterated in this Office.

Indian Correspondence.

Unpaid Letters are not received for the Indian Mail Packets.

The Pre-payment of correspondence for the Straits, India, Ceylon, and Aden is compulsory by whatever opportunity it is forwarded.

Registration to Bangkok.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul General for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 5 cents.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters.

Private in H. M. Army or Navy, Non-Commissioned Officers, Army Schoolmasters (not superintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom via Southampton

* But not Warrent Officers, viz., Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatman, or Carpenter.

by British Packet, for one penny; or via Brindisi by British Packet for three-pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.

Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—

1. Not to exceed half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.

2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

3. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

Mails for the United Kingdom, &c. by French Packet.

Under instructions from the London Post Office, the Mails for the United Kingdom which have hitherto been forwarded via Marseilles, will henceforth be forwarded via Naples, as it is understood that a gain of twelve hours results from the adoption of this route.

As it would be extremely inconvenient to divide the mail, and no practical advantage would result from doing so, all correspondence intended for the United Kingdom by French Packet will be sent via Naples, even though marked via Marseilles.

An impression appears to prevail that correspondence for the Mediterranean stations, Gibraltar, Malta, Cyprus, the Levant, Turkey, &c., can be forwarded only by British Packet. It can be forwarded also by French Packet, and if so forwarded generally arrives a week earlier than if it had been detained for the British Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-delivery, or mis-direction of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered) nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers, and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times; that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag; and that, whenever the bag has in the course of its transmission to be transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon.

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorised to demand change; and when money is paid at a Post Office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded.

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West Indies, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wax or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Nevertheless large sums of money or other articles of great value should not be sent through the post, even if the packet be registered; as the machinery of the Department is not arranged with a view to such transmission.

By law, the Post Office is not responsible for the safe delivery of registered packets; though any officer who may neglect his duty on this point will be called to strict account. Sent in unregistered letters, valuable articles are exposed to risk, and offer a temptation which ought not to be created; and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters, therefore, which contain coins, and all inland letters which contain watches or jewellery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as registered, and charged on delivery with a double registration fee of eightpence in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the Mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch. Even if the letter do not contain any article of intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—
Books and Papers—to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.
Patterns—to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that, there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fane, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS.—Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bona fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$50 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Letter

The following Regulations as to the Indemnity to be paid in certain cases on the loss of registered correspondence have been made by His Excellency the Governor under Ordinance 10 of 1876, Section XII.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but henceforth it will be prepared to make good the contents of correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration require.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal Administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handsomely bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1.—Money Orders on the United Kingdom and the Straits Settlements are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama. Shanghai and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa.

2.—Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps.

3.—Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in the way. An application for an order is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount of the order in cash, or in the form of stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange.

The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if the order be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departure of the mails.

4.—No order must exceed £10, or include any fraction of a penny. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows:—
Orders on the United Kingdom,
Up to £2.....18 cents.
" £2.....36 "
" £4.....54 "
" £10.....72 "

Local Money Orders (including Straits Settlements).
Up to \$25.....15 cents.
" 50.....30 "

5.—Lists of Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom may be consulted at Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama.

6.—Names must be given in full (except when there is more than one Christian name) but the name of the Payee need not be given if the order be crossed (as cheques are crossed). It can then be paid only through a Bank, and may afterwards be specially crossed to any Bank.

7.—No order can be paid till the Payee have signed it in the proper place. An order can be transferred to another office on payment of an additional commission. In case of loss of an order, necessity for stopping payment, or the like, application should be made to the nearest Money Order Office for instructions.

8.—If the order be not presented within six months an additional commission will be charged; if not within twelve months, the money will be forfeited. When the order is once paid no further claim can be entertained.

9.—No order can be paid until the advice relative to it has been received.

* Made out on a printed form which is supplied gratis.

+ Local Orders on Shanghai are drawn at 2 per cent. premium in all cases. A fixed dollar rate for drawing on the United Kingdom is in force at Shanghai.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Unclaimed Correspondence, May 2, 1879.

Letters. Pags. Letters. Pags.
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Amicable Ins.	1	Keyser, Y.	1
Office	2	Liddell, Lt.	1
Anderson,	1	H. A.	1
Thos., Eng-	1	Lobo, Conde	1
gineer	1	Long Sing & Co.	2
Arias, Aurelio de	1	Lopez, Maria	1
Atack Mypan	1	regd. Loring, Col. H.S.	1
Ayonchoy	1	regd. Lowe, S. S.	1
Ayong, Mr	1	MacCarthy, Dr. C.	2
Ayoon	1	regd. Macdonald, Capt.	1
Bautier, Julio L.	1	Madge, J.	1
Benton, C. J.	1	Marques, Har-	1
Blyth, Messrs. D.	1	menclio	2
Boyle, Capt.	1	Marsson, Capt.	1
Briga, Joaquim	1	McLachlan, Mrs	1
Souza de	1	Merced, Thomas	1
Bright, Mrs S.	2	Micheli, Sigr. A.	1
Brooks, J. H.	2	1 V. C.	1
Brown, Mrs	1	Monves, George	1
Browne, T. &	1	Murrow, Rev. J.	1
Brother	1	1 Murphy, Rev.	1
Cabelland,	1	Murray, John	1
Richmond	1	Newton, G. B.	1
Campbell, Au-	1	Ottosen, J. W.	1
gustus A.	1	Penman, H. Jno.	1
Carvalho, Mdlle.	1	Pera Connel, del.	1
Chung, Ayan	1	regd. Petrich, Martin	1
Christiansen,	2	Roberts, P.	1
S. B.	2	Robertson, Henry	1
Christo, M.	1	Rosen	1
Clifton, Mrs	1	1 Master H.	1
Cole, Mr	1	Shove, Chas. A.	1
Concord, John P.	1	S. M. B. Sig.	1
Cook, Henry	3pals.	Sing Hong Hong	1
Coran, Advans	1	Stabb, Carl Aug.	1
& Co.	1	St. Stry, Kenhoben	1
Crowat, Philip L.	6	9	1
De, F. J.	1	Sun Chong Wah	1
Day, E. Q.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Denry, O. W.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Ellis, H. H.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Ellari, Monsr.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Fanno, Chas. W.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Fennick, Geo.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Engineer	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Foa, Madame	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Fuch, G.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Goddard, F. D.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Gatham, D.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Gastineau, Goute	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Grungberg, M.	2	Sun Sen Wo	1
Hansen, Oscar	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Hansen, L.P.A.J.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Hersworth, G.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Herbert, Lieut.	2	Sun Sen Wo	1
Hersholms, G.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Hilton, Geo.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Hine, Rev.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Horden, A.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Jennet, Chas.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Johann, & Co.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Jvir, Monsr.	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Kham, Phai	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Monsr	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Kaowles, Henry	1	Sun Sen Wo	1
Kong Yew Long	1	Sun Sen Wo	1

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Section.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Adria	2	Stewart	Brit. str.	1224	April 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Saloon	5th inst.
Agamemnon	6	Wilding	Brit. str.	1522	May 3	Butterfield & Swire	London, &c.	at daylight
Ajax	5	Kidd	Brit. str.	1524	May 1	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	
Bellona	3	Ahrens	Ger. str.	789	April 27	Siemssen & Co.	Amoy	at daylight
Bombay	3	Wobb	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Achong	Shanghai	5th, 2 p.m.
Cheong Hock Kian	3	Ackermann	Ger. str.	956	Mar. 14	Bun Hin Chau	Bangkok	6th inst.
City of Santiago	2	Peters	Brit. str.	648	May 2	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	Tug Plying
Darbo	2	Clanchy	Brit. str.	1291	May 1	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Fame	6	Stopani	Brit. str.	661	April 28	Yuen Fat Hong	Shanghai	To-day
Fuyow	2	Groat	Chl. str.	920	May 2	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Glenartney	2	Auld	Brit. str.	1370	May 2	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Glenfalloch	2	Taylor	Brit. str.	1386	May 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Glenorchy	2	Hogg	Brit. str.	1775	April 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Tamsui, &c.	7th inst.
Gordon Castle	2	Waring	Brit. str.	1312	May 2	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Hailong	5	Goodie	Brit. str.	274	April 30	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Leyla	2	Russell	Brit. str.	312	April 8	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Lombardy	2	Hall	Brit. str.	1729	May 8	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Malacca	2	Smith	Brit. str.	1703	April 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Mariveles	2	Munoz	Span. str.	425	Mar. 27	Remedios & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Monarch	2	Stockdale	Brit. str.	1821	May 2	Malchers & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Namoa	2	Westoby	Brit. str.	862	May 2	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Normanby	2	Ellis	Brit. str.	694	April 28	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Oceanic	2	Metcalfe	Brit. str.	3707	April 29	Landstein & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Olympia	2	Thomson	Brit. str.	1201	May 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Radnorshire	2	Thomson	Brit. str.	1201	May 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Sea Gull	2	Rogers	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders Insurance Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Sunda	2	Nisbet	Brit. str.	1261	April 28	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Tavlot	2	Lamont	Brit. str.	820	May 1	Chinese	Yokohama	7th inst.
Thales	2	Araguren	Span. str.	651	April 28	Remedios & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Zamboanga	2	Heuer	Brit. str.	400	Mar. 6	Russell & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Zephyr	2	Heuer	Brit. str.	400	Mar. 6	Russell & Co.	Yokohama	7th inst.
Sailing Vessels								
Abbie N. Franklin	4	Howes	Amer. bgs.	460	Mar. 6	Captain	Australia	
Alegro	4	Falconer	Brit. bgs.	665	April 27	Borneo Co., Limited	Australia	
Alexa	4	Robb	Brit. bgs.	424	April 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Australia	
Anna Bertha	2	Krauss	Ger. bgs.	408	May 3	Siemssen & Co.	Manila	
Annie W. Weston	2	Wisor	Amer. bgs.	740	April 23	Order	Manila	
Bua Pan	2	Moller	Span. sh.	574	April 26	Kim Tye Loong	Manila	
Caador	2	Orbata	Span. bg.	214	April 27	Remedios & Co.	Manila	
Cilurum	2	Beadle	Brit. sh.	1888	April 24	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Coeran	2	Brochur	Amer. sh.	144	April 11	W. H. Ray	Manila	
Edith	2	Manson	Amer. sh.	1173	April 30	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Edward May	2	Johnson	Amer. bgs.	928	April 8	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Faugh Balough	2	Ritte	Ger. bgs.	240	April 26	Carlowitz & Co.	Manila	
Florence Nightingale	2	McIntyre	Brit. bgs.	404	April 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Manila	
Gertrude	2	Prance	Brit. bgs.	483	April 18	Carlowitz & Co.	Manila	
Gesine Bros	2	Trumbach	Ger. bgs.	402	April 18	Weller & Co.	Manila	
Golden Place	2	Wiltshire	Brit. bgs.	598	Mar. 10	Gilman & Co.	Manila	
Golden Rule	2	Tapley	Amer. sh.	1198	Mar. 7	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Hattie E. Tapley	2	Evans	Amer. sh.	948	April 26	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Manila	
Haze	2	Evans	Amer. sh.	862	April 13	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Highlander	2	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Johann Friedrich	1	Kroncke	Ger. bg.	242	April 12	Weller & Co.	Manila	
Malvina	2	Kluger	Ger. bgs.	479	April 13	Weller & Co.	Manila	
Manuel	2	Eglinger	Span. sh.	269	April 13	Remedios & Co.	Manila	
Mennon	2	Vass	Amer. sh.	850	April 15	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Onida	2	Clyma	Brit. sh.	2233	Mar. 21	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Manila	
Orange Grove	2	Longmull	Brit. bgs.	842	April 20	Carlowitz & Co.	Manila	
Parallos	2	Schulz	Ger. bgs.	335	May 1	Siemssen & Co.	Manila	
Fabris	2	Schulz	Brit. bgs.	276	April 10	Weller & Co.	Manila	
Phoson	2	Lunt	Amer. sh.	1450	April 16	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Prins Donna	2	Cory	Brit. bgs.	890	April 10	Weller & Co.	Manila	
Queen of India	2	Holmes	Amer. sh.	1361	Mar. 9	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Roseland	2	Collis	Brit. sm. sh.	341	April 20	Order	Manila	
Rosland	2	Alber	Ger. bgs.	1008	April 20	Messageries Maritimes	Manila	
Strathmore	2	Miller	Brit. bgs.	1169	Dec. 17	Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Sumatra	2	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sep. 5	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Talies	2	Stear	Ger. bgs.	256	April 20	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Manila	
Taiwan	2	Jessen	Ger. bgs.	373	April 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Manila	
Thos. A. Goddard	2	Smith	Amer. bgs.	682	Jan. 9	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Vesuvius	2	Call	Amer. bgs.	813	April 28	Order	Manila	
Victory	2	Whiting	Brit. bg.	255	April 27	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Manila	
Zouave	2	Meant	Amer. sh.	1202	April 26	Captain	Manila	
WHAMPOA								
Friedrich Perthes	2	Walter	Ger. bgs.	446	April 24	Siemssen & Co.	Chefoo	
CANTON								
Tung Ting	2	Hawthorne	Chl. str.	314	April 28	C. M. S. N. Co.	Chefoo	

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Ashuelot	6 h	U. S.	corvette	1370	6	700	Feb. 12	Geo. H. Perkins
Cyclop	6 h	German	gunboat	480	6	80	April 22	Von Schuckmann
Fai Hoo	6 c	Chinese	revenue cruiser	...	...	...	April 19	Cooker
Fly	7 h	British	gun vessel	700	3	95	Dec. 21	M. McNeil
Idly	6 c	British	gun vessel	1600	...	...	April 9	B. E. Cochran
Laise	6 c	German	man-of-war	2591	...	...	April 30	Schering
Mosquito	6 h	British	military hospital	420	4	60	April 28	W. Carey
Moorehen	6 h	British	gunboat	495	4	50	Jan. 80	Lt.-Com. G. A. Grey
Mosquito	6 c	Japanese	man-of-war	1280	...	...	April 29	Kasama
Nisam	6 c	British	Commodore's flag-ship	3087	20	...	...	Commodore Smith

HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON RIVER STEAMERS.

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Fatchoy	153	Coulson	G. McBain
Inahy	700	Martin	Butterfield and Swire
Kin Shan	457	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Kin Kiang	617	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Kienchow	348	Brown	Kwok Achong
Powar	1880	Benning, A.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Sir J. Jejeebhoy	184	Benning, A.	Kwok Achong
Spark	140	Hoyland	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
White Cloud	260	Cay	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Yotai	160	Benning, A.	Kwok Achong

CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS, &c.

Name.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Commander.
An-lan	221	7	70	J. Goddall
Chen-jui	80	3	20	A. Walker
Chen-to	221	7	70	Stewart
Ching-on	120	2	40	Chinese Admiral
Ching-po	180	3	60	Chun H. Hu
Chun-tung	150	2	40	Read
Lik-sha	80	4	20	C. H. Palmer
Peng-chou-hai	600	4	120	Li Ping Tye
Quang-on	120	6	40	H. Wade
Shen-chi	180	5	60	J. Calder
Sui-tung	180	4	60	Bessard
Tsing-tung	180	5	60	Ching
Tsing-po	100	8	40	

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Forward Ho	457	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Hamburg	617	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Lulu	348	Brown	Kwok Achong
Quickstep	1880	Benning, A.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Sheldrake	184	Benning, A.	Kwok Achong
Spark	140	Hoyland	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
White Cloud	260	Cay	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Yotai	160	Benning, A.	Kwok Achong

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Hankov	153	Coulson	G. McBain
Fatchoy	153	Coulson	G. McBain
Kiang-ching	457	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Kiang-tung	617	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Kiang-yuen	348	Brown	Kwok Achong
Nagoya Maru	1880	Benning, A.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Nizam	184	Benning, A.	Kwok Achong
Orinca	140	Hoyland	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Pakong	260	Cay	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Pekin	160	Benning, A.	Kwok Achong
W. C. de Vries	...	...	...

SAILING VESSELS.

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
British ship
British schooner
American barque
British barque
British barque
Russian barque
Danish barque
American ship
German barque
British barque
British barque

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, May 3rd, 1879.

At 1100 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.		Price.	Chinese Names.
Bacon, English, . . lb.	450	400	米路烟猪肉
" Ame. Sugar cured, .	250	220	花旗烟猪肉
" Foochow, . . .	200	180	福州烟猪肉
Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy.	170	160	尾龍扒
Beef Corned, . . . catty	140	130	鹹牛肉
" Roast, . . .	150	140	燒牛肉
" Soup, . . .	90	80	湯肉
" Steak, . . .	150	140	牛肉
Bullocks' Brains, . . per set	50	40	牛腦
" Tongue, fresh, each	300	270	牛脚
" " corned, . .	300	270	鹹牛脚
" Head, . . .	750	700	牛頭
" Heart, . . .	130	120	牛心
" Hump, Salt . . catty	130	120	牛肩
" Feet, . . . each	50	45	牛脚
" Kidneys, . . .	60	50	牛腰
" Tail, . . .	160	90	牛尾
" Liver, . . . catty	80	70	牛肝
" Tripe (undressed), catty	55	45	牛肚
Calves' Head and Feet, set	600	500	牛仔頭脚
Hams, American, . . lb.	320	300	花旗火腿
" Chinese, . . .	250	220	金華火腿
" English . . .	380	350	來路火腿
Mutton Chop, . . .	170	160	羊牌骨
" Leg, . . .	170	160	羊腿
" Shoulder, . . .	130	120	羊手
Pigs' Chittlings, . . catty	70	60	猪臟
" Feet, . . .	110	100	猪脚
" Fry, . . .	120	110	猪雜
" Head, . . .	90	80	猪頭
" Heart, . . . each	60	50	猪心
" Kidneys, . . .	90	80	猪腰
" Liver, . . . lb.	120	110	猪肝
Pork, Chop, . . . catty	160	150	猪牌骨
" Corned, . . .	140	130	鹹猪肉
" Leg, . . .	160	150	猪腿
" Fat or Lard, . .	120	110	猪油
Sheeps' Head, and Feet, set	450	400	羊頭脚
" Heart, . . . each	50	40	羊心
" Kidneys, . . .	70	60	羊腰
" Liver, . . .	140	130	羊肝
Sucking Pigs, . . .	\$2.25	\$1.50	猪仔
Suet, Beef, . . . lb.	120	—	生牛油
" Mutton, . . .	120	110	生羊油
Sweet Bread, . . . catty	180	120	牛仔肉
Veal, . . .	140	130	牛仔肉
牛口			
Poultry.			
Capon, . . . catty	220	180	雞
Doves, . . . each	110	100	鴿
Ducks, . . . catty	110	100	鴨
Eggs, Hen . . . doz.	100	—	雞蛋
Fowls, . . . catty	180	170	雞
Geese, . . .	120	110	鵝
Partridges, . . . each	300	280	鵪鶉
Pigeons, . . . each	140	130	白鴿
Quail, . . .	110	100	鶉
Rabbits, live, Canton . .	700	600	省城兔
Snipe, . . . each	110	100	沙鴉
Turkeys, Cock, . catty	600	450	火雞
" Hen, . . .	350	300	火雞
海鮮			
Fish.			
Bombay Ducks, . . per hundred	220	200	肚魚
Bream, . . . catty	100	90	鯽魚
Carp, . . .	80	70	鯉魚
Catfish, . . .	60	50	赤魚
Codfish, Salt, . . .	160	—	鹹魚
Crabs, . . .	80	50	蟹
Cuttle Fish, . . .	90	70	墨魚
Dace, . . .	90	80	黃尾
Dog Fish, . . .	60	50	跌倒
Eels, Congor . . .	70	60	海鱈
" Fresh water . . .	110	100	淡水
File Fish, . . .	70	60	剥皮
Fresh Fish, Large . . .	150	—	大鮮魚
" Small . . .	80	50	鮮魚
Garoupa, . . .	160	—	鮮魚
Gudgeon, . . .	100	90	石斑
Gurnard, . . .	90	80	紅角
Haddock, . . .	100	90	黃花
Herrings, fresh . . .	70	60	黃澤
" smoked . . . box	\$1.00	—	鹹魚
King Crab, . . . each	100	—	蟹
Live Fish, . . . catty	120	110	生魚
Lobsters, . . .	110	100	龍蝦
Mackerel, . . .	70	60	池魚
Mullet, . . .	110	100	魚
" Red . . .	100	90	鹹魚
Parrot Fish, . . .	120	110	公魚
Perch, . . .	100	90	頭魚
Pike, . . .	130	120	魚
Plaice, . . .	80	70	鰈魚
Pomfret, White . . .	180	120	白鰻
Pomfret, Black . . .	110	100	黑鰻
Prawns, . . .	130	110	明蝦
Ray, . . .	70	60	石斑
Rock Fish, . . .	90	80	岩魚
Scabbard, . . .	110	100	魚